GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:543
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PRIME MINISTER GRAM SADAK YOJANA
NARESH KUMAR PUGLIA;SRIKANTA DATTA NARASIMHARAJA WADIYAR

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages connected by roads, length of the roads constructed under the PMGSY so far, State-wise;

(b) whether the objective of the PMGSY is to provide rural road connectivity to the unconnected habitations in two phases;

(c) if so, the time by which second phase of this Yojana is likely to commence;

(d) whether the Government purpose to review the road connectivity norm of `habitations with a population of 500 persons` in case of tribal habitations and fix the same on the lower side in view of the fact that the tribal population is scattered;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) if not, the reasons therefor;

(g) whether the Government have recently revised the procedure for execution of works under the Yojana as reported in Hindu dated April 4, 2003;

(h) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(i) the guidelines issued to the State Government in this matter;

(j) whether the State Governments were consulted before revising the procedure etc; and

(k) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR)

(a) to (k) A statement is laid on the table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No.543 admitted for answer on 29th April, 2003

(a) to (k) Information regarding the number of Habitations and length, State-wise in respect of PMGSY roadworks clearedupto 31st March, 2003 is given in the attached statements (Annexure I to III).

The Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) aims to provide all-weather road connectivity to about 1.60 lakh Unconnected Habitations in the rural areas in such a way that Habitations with a population of 1000 persons and above are covered in three years (2000-2003) and all Unconnected Habitations with a population of 500 persons and above by the end of the Tenth Plan Period (2007). In respect of Hill States (North-East, Sikkim, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Uttaranchal) and the Desert Areas (as identified in the Desert Development Programme) as well as the Tribal (Schedule V) areas, the objective would be to connect Habitations with a population of 250 persons and above.

Government have revised the Guidelines of the PMGSY in January, 2003. There is no change in the norms and basic procedures for execution of works under the PMGSY and the revision has been done primarily to provide further details for the smooth implementation of various aspects of the Programme. As per the revised Guidelines of the PMGSY, the works will be tendered in accordance with the Standard Bidding Document, which has been framed after detailed discussions with the State Governments and experts, to standardise the tendering process.

Annexure I to the Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No.543 admitted for answer on 29th April, 2003

Details of projects cleared under the PMGSY 2000-2001

State Total length(in km) Total No. of habitations to be benefited

1	Andhra Pradesh	3367.07	2737
2	Assam	194.47	918
3	Bihar	854.96	680
4	Chhattisgarh	980.68	306
5	Gujarat	488.77	175
6	Haryana	380.82	5
7	J&K	98.26	111
8	Jharkhand	891.8	520
9	Karnataka	1658.08	1870
10	Kerala	104.56	38
11	Madhya Pradesh	1980.75	200
12	Maharashtra	613.96	342
13	Mizoram	80.3	9
14	Orissa	1110.73	1556
15	Punjab	171.04	134
16	Rajasthan	1193.87	386
17	Tamil Nadu	1457.85	972
18	Uttaranchal	300.95	162
19	West Bengal	823.89	1480
20	Pondicherry	48.55	59
21	A&N Islands	17.35	14
	Total	16818.71	12674

Note: In respect of remaining 9 States and Union Territory of Daman & Diu, a sum of Rs.672.26 crore was provided for completion of incomplete road works initiated under the erstwhile Basic Minimum Services Programme.

Annexure II to the Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No.543 admitted for answer on 29th April, 2003

Details of projects cleared under the PMGSY 2001-2002 and 2002-2003@

#	State	Total length(in km)	Total No. of habitations to be benefited
1	Andhra Pradesh	3475.24	1781
2	Arunachal Pr	662.49	214
3	Assam	589.12	957
4	Bihar	1543.14	1227
5	Chattisgarh	1249.14	543
6	Goa	109.71	50
7	Gujarat	815.15	466
8	Haryana	700	391
9	Himachal Pr	934.1	449
10	J & K	233.98	131
11	Jharkhand	1186.95	585
12	Karnataka	3221.88	2359
13	Kerala	295.37	192
14	Madhya Pradesh	3851.29	1331
15	Maharashtra	1885.85	853
16	Manipur	696.31	130
17	Meghalaya	275	96
18	Mizoram	300.21	31
19	Nagaland	321.5	39
20	Orissa	2080.28	1342
21	Punjab	523.38	299
22	Rajasthan	2076.47	619
23	Sikkim	249.75	122
24	Tamil Nadu	844.65	576
25	Tripura	206.27	177
26	Uttar Pr.	3127.57	2090
27	Uttaranchal	466.15	144
28	West Bengal	1118.47	1069
29	A & N Islands	36.4	13
30	D & N Haveli	83.89	36
31	Daman & Diu	91.71	143
32	Delhi	0	0
33	Lakshadweep	0	0
34	Pondicherry	43.93	11
	Total	33295.35	18466

@ The road works for the two years were cleared together.

Annexure - lll to the Statement referred to in reply to L.S. Starred Q. No.543 admitted for answer on 29th April, 2003

Details of projects cleared under the PMGSY 2003-2004

#	State	Total length(in km)	Total No. of habitations to be benefited
1	Chhattisgarh;	2283.72	1039
2	Haryana	274.81	102
3	Madhya Pradesh	2814	836
4	Mizoram	277.98	19
5	Rajasthan	5490.70	1641
	Total	11141.21	3637